GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OF MAJOR PORTS
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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of constant decline taking place in the income and there is increase in expenditure of major ports of the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government to bring improvement in this condition ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) There is no decline in income of the Major Port Trusts, but their expenditure has been increasing constantly.

(b) The increase of expenditure is due to rise in salaries and wages, fuel costs and other input costs. The income has not increased commensurately primarily due to non-revision of tariffs in many cases.

(c) The managements of Port Trusts have been advised to eliminate avoidable expenditure, increase operational efficiency and get the tariff revised, wherever applicable.